

## Tried to Fleece Hotel Out of Board Bill

Was Captured in this City in Local Hotel  
After Timely Search. Lady Friend  
Makes Good His Bond.

A good news story originating in the city of Spartanburg and ending in this city took place Friday when a young man was arrested here for beating his board bill at the Hotel Finch in Spartanburg. The story is printed below taken from the Herald of September 6th issue.

"The tranquil life of Hendersonville was stirred to its placid depths Thursday by the arrest of a man who was accused of swindling. The whole population 'turned out' to see a man who had 'beat' his hotel bill; presumably because the 'crime' was consummated in Spartanburg, where the hotel men are wise in their generation, and it is generally a 'fall guy' that pulls the wool over their eyes.

### How He Did It.

It happened thusly: A man of pleasing appearance and polished address registered at the Finch hotel here on August 23. As is generally the custom with travelers, he had baggage. He gave his name as J. B. Graham, of Chicago. Evidently liking the environs and the culinary of the hostelry, he stayed a week. Being a gregarious soul, Mr. "Graham" set up the night of Friday, August 23 in the lobby of the hotel in conversation with J. N. Burgess, the night clerk. He requested Mr. Burgess to loan him his overcoat and umbrella. Mr. Burgess did so. The "prosperous Mr. Graham" sans rain coat, sans umbrella, failed to reappear. His baggage was also missing and the hotel was out \$23.60. "Mr. Graham" then hid himself to Hendersonville and registered at the Kentucky Home as J. T. Willis, where his affable manner impressed the management and the guests. A clerk at the Kentucky Home was in Spartanburg Wednesday and went to the Finch. There he described "J. T.

Willis," which description fitted the vanished "Mr. Graham."

### Mr. Burgess on Trail.

Mr. Burgess, night clerk of the Finch, went to Hendersonville Thursday morning, went to the Kentucky Home, registered and secured a room. He recognized the handwriting of "J. T. Willis" as the same that was inscribed as "J. B. Graham" on the Finch register. He then swore out a warrant for the arrest of J. B. Graham, alias, J. T. Willis. He then went to his room, leaving instructions to be called when "Mr. Willis" appeared.

When "Willis" appeared Burgess was immediately notified and he called up the sheriff and asked him to make the arrest. "Willis" evidently saw Burgess, for he made a break for liberty, hiding in some part of the hotel. A policeman was placed to watch the fire escape, and a thorough search was made of the Kentucky Home. In the meantime word reached the several thousand people still in Hendersonville that something untoward was happening to break the serenity of the town.

### Some Excitement.

In the meantime "Willis," or "Graham" had been discovered crouched in a toilet room where he was arrested for disturbing the peace of the realm and more particularly that of Hendersonville, which has long been noted for its rural stillness. "Willis" or "Graham" and his captors headed a long procession of citizens and near-citizens which wended its way to the jail. "Willis" or "Graham" said he had a woman friend at the St. John who would pay the money if he were allowed to see her. This request was granted, and the phalanx of captors and spectators moved on the hotel. There the woman in question conspicuously "shelled" out \$23.60 of the coin of the realm, which enriched the coffers of the Finch, and Mr. Burgess was returned his overcoat and umbrella. The disturber of the peace was released.

### Many Raids During August.

During the month of August a total of eighty illicit distilleries were destroyed in North Carolina and South Carolina by internal revenue officers working out of Asheville headquarters. In August, 1912, a total of seventy-two "wildcats" were seized and destroyed by the revenue men in the two states.

### The Stone That Marks Gov. Aycock's Resting Place.

In Oakwood cemetery a simple monument of beautiful granite marks the grave of Governor Charles B. Aycock. This is not the monument to which North Carolina children have contributed, but is the mark of the family's love. The stone is of the handsomest North Carolina granite, superbly proportioned and tasteful in the highest degree.

The east side bears the words, "Charles Brantley Aycock, Governor of North Carolina 1901-1905, born December 1, 1858, died April 4, 1912." On the other side is the single word "Aycock." In the light of the Governor's great services to the State, his gifts of oratory and the love in which he was held, the tastefulness of the simple monument will be seen.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The following from the Waxhaw Enterprise will strike a responsive cord, no doubt, in many newspaper offices, for it is more often the case that when the telephone rings it is to hand the poor editor a basket of trickbats or a bouquet of lemons than a kind word or a bunch of roses:

"Last Friday morning as we sat in the old office chair musing on the hardness of the world and its selfishness, the phone bell recalled our wandering mind. It was a good lady of the town who was calling. And she called simply to say that she had enjoyed reading The Enterprise and that she wished to compliment our work. We did and do thank her. How much easier it is to work when we feel that our labor is not altogether in vain. This was a little thing, but all day long the sun shone brighter and the world looked more cheerful. The kind word, the appreciative word, the cheery smile, are so little in themselves and so easy to give. Then let us not be so stingy with them. Don't save all the flowers for the cold clay in the coffin but give them now while there is life to respond. The good word spoken after death gives forth a hollow sound. But the word of good cheer and kindness spoken now gives out its note of sweet melody in life's rough way to face the hard hills with courage and faith. And the world is made a fit place for men and women to live, because a kind word is spoken in love."

Japan's pearl divers are women.

### The Kentucky Way.

Ollie James, the "silver tongued" oratorical senator from Kentucky, true to the traditions of his native state, in the following aerial flight tells how to imbibe the famous mint julep in a way that only a Kentucky statesman can: "The lips should meet the rim of the frosted cup with a caress as gentle as the sweetheart's first kiss and while the mug is slowly tilted the fragrance should be absorbed in deep inhalations until the spirit of the beautiful lifts the drinker to the heights so he can look beyond the curtain of sky into land of green fields and gorgeous flowers, where spring eternal moths all living things into restful peace."

Write the Secretary of the W. N. C. fair at Asheville and give him a list of the articles you wish to enter at the fair, Oct. 7-10. Write for entry blank, program, etc.

### RANSOM PAID.

### Two Americans Released When Mexicans Are Paid \$10,000.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 4.—A. W. McCormick of San Antonio, superintendent and H. L. Stephenson of Los Angeles, vice president of the Palomas Land & Cotton Co., have been liberated by the freebooter band of Maximo Castillo and Braulio Hernandez in Chihuahua after paying \$10,000 ransom. Mr. Stephenson returned here today.

Both were arrested at the same time. McCormick was held while Stephenson came to El Paso to get the money for the ransom. He returned yesterday with it and the men were freed.

Norway will postpone the enforcement of its strike arbitration and conciliation law until next year.

### Farmers of This Section!

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J. L. BURGESS,  
Agronomist.

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## ST. PETE TIMES ON NEW COLONY

Something About the New St. Petersburg Colony Near Hillgirt Taken From St. Petersburg Times.

The St. Petersburg Times of September 3, contains an article about the Mountain Home Colony of St. Petersburg people located at Hillgirt, this county. The article is as follows:

"The new Mountain Home proposition, which is being promoted by several St. Petersburg citizens, is well under way and the plans and report of the lately surveyed tract of land will be submitted to the Mountain Home Company for their approval as soon as R. G. Ridgely can prepare the report.

"R. G. Ridgely, of the Ridgely real estate firm in this city, returned yesterday from North Carolina, where the new colony is being built, and is preparing a report of the survey he made during the month he was there.

"Mr. Ridgely says the new summer home scheme is a winner, and that big preparations are already being made for the building of cottages, a club house, and for the laying out of a general outline of the colony.

"The tract of land contains 700 acres of mountain land in the western part of North Carolina. Half the land is mountainous and the other half is rolling. There are about 200 acres of tillable land, on which is a farm house. There is a family living on the farm at present, managing things until the local company can build some summer homes and settle. The plan of the village has been made but has not yet been approved by the company.

"The settlement of summer homes will be on the rolling portion of the land and many of the streets will be winding. This effect will be followed to give a beautiful appearance to the settlement. At present there is a natural winding drive on the crest of the mountains. In the mountains are many springs of cold water. The soil in that country absorbs water easily, therefore making the driveways desirable in rainy weather. The average elevation of the rolling section is about 250 feet. At this height the air is cool and very desirable during the hot summer months.

"The winter homes land is located four miles north of Hendersonville, N. C., on the Hendersonville and Asheville road. The farm formerly belonged to Florence Roland and was purchased from her by a company of St. Petersburg financiers.

"A company was formed in this city for the purpose of buying the land and promoting the scheme until a thickly settled colony of St. Petersburg people will live there during the summer. Shares were sold to members of the company, and each share entitles the stockholder to a lot. A certain number of shares will be sold and the company will be incorporated. The stockholders of the organization will draw dividends.

"It is the intention of those interested to build a large club house, and later on to have some sort of amusements for the summer residents. It will probably be next summer before any cottages will be constructed, as winter time in the North Carolina mountains is an undesirable time to build."

### "MADERO WAS CRAZY," DECLARES MEXICAN.

Congressman From Vera Cruz Gives That Reason for Arrest and Deprivation of President.

Tampa, Fla., Sept. 4.—Strict enforcement of neutrality along the Mexican border to prevent the importation of arms by American oil interests is the core for the ills that beset Mexico, declared Thomas Braniff, representing the State of Vera Cruz in the Mexican congress. Senor Braniff is here for a rest, free from the turbulence which besets his native land.

"Huerto arrested Madero, which resulted in the president's assassination, because Madero was crazy," declared Senor Braniff. "Madero had issued orders to Huerta to blow up the arsenal, endangering the life of nearly every one in the capital. To fail to carry out this order would have meant the execution of Huerta."

Senor Braniff says he does not believe that Huerta will offer for the presidency, and that an election in the republic at this time would be a farce. He has been urged to be a candidate, but will not consent to have his name used unless he is convinced that peaceful and honest elections are possible.

### YADKIN VALLEY HERALD IS A NEW SEMI-WEEKLY PAPER

Will be Published Under the Salisbury Date Line Soon, the First Issue to Appear About the First of October.

Salisbury, N. C., Sept.—The Yadkin Valley Herald is the name of a new paper to be launched under the Salisbury date line some time very soon. "The Yadkin Valley Herald will be published twice-a-week and will take over the Semi-Weekly Post, a paper with several thousand subscribers. It will be under the direct management of Mr. C. D. Rose, as business manager, and under the editorial direction of Mr. J. F. Hurley, and these will be aided by several contributing editors.

The paper will be pitched on a broad basis and bids to become a paper of more than local circulation and influence. It will be independent and in no way associated with any other publication. It will seek to give a full and complete news service, and in addition give special attention to the most important issues of our present day living, especially those issues and problems which have most to do with the rural advance of North Carolina.

## T.R. TAKES HAND IN SULZER CASE

Answering Letters From Accused Governor Raps Hard Those Who Are Now Persecuting Executive.

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 4.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt has advised Governor Sulzer to make a "full and straightforward explanation and answer in reference to the charges" which resulted in the governor's impeachment.

In a letter replying to two communications relating to the gubernatorial situation sent by the governor to the former president while he was traveling in the west, Colonel Roosevelt says:

"You owe it to yourself and to all those who have supported you to take the earliest opportunity to answer the charges made against you."

### Makes Letter Public.

Governor Sulzer made the Roosevelt letter public today without comment. Asked if he would follow the former president's suggestions, the governor referred his interrogators to his general denial of the charges issued on advice of counsel August 1, three days prior to the adoption of the impeachment resolution by the assembly.

"My explanation will be given at the impeachment trial," the governor declared.

Colonel Roosevelt's letter, in part, follows:

"On my return from Arizona I received your two letters. I believe I thoroughly understand the assault now being made upon you. I have yet to meet a single person who believes, or even pretends to believe, that a single honest motive has animated the proceedings of your antagonists. From Mr. Murphy himself to the legislators who obeyed his directions, there is no possible question that all your assailants are the enemies of the public and that their enemies of the public and denigration of the state government, and that the conspiracy against you has not one saving impulse behind it that can in the remotest degree be ascribed to patriotism or civic spirit or to anything save the basest impulse of crooked politics. We have never seen a more startling example of the power of the invisible government under the present system.

"The extraordinary thing is that the 'conservative' upholders of this present system should have witnessed the decrees of the invisible government carried out within four hours and who nevertheless denounce as revolutionary our proposals for changes in the form of government whereby the deliberate judgment of the majority of the voters may be executed within a space of time no shorter than that required for the execution of their deliberate judgment in the choice of a president of the United States.

"Let me add one thing, my dear governor. You owe it to yourself and to all those who have supported you to take the earliest opportunity to answer the charges made against you. That the purposes of those bringing the charges are wholly evil, I am sure that all honest men feel. Moreover, I am sure that honest men feel that the assault made upon you by your foes is due to your having stood up for the principles of good government and decent citizenship, even when it was necessary to defy the will of the bosses of the two parties, and especially of your own, and to stand in the way of the success of the corrupt schemes of the party machines' managers."

### Other Ministers Appointed.

Washington, Sept. 4.—President Wilson today made these nominations:

Charles K. Vopicka of Illinois, minister to Roumania, Serbia and Bulgaria

Thomas H. Birch of New Jersey, minister to Portugal.

### Close Sights.

(From the Atchison Globe.)

There's one thing about self praise, it is sincere.

It should be said for the fat man that he rarely rides a motorcycle.

What has become of the o. f. man who used to keep his in a demijohn?

An attorney's office boy assumes among his friends to know all about the law.

No crook would have a chance if the average detective were as wise as he tries to look.

We should become reconciled to our losses, but a widower shouldn't be too sudden about it.

A lucky young man is the person too bashful to propose, for living is going to be high this winter.

It not only takes a lot of money to drink regularly, but time which could be spent to a better advantage.

An Atchison barber insists there is more symmetry to a man's legs than to a woman's. However, it is too hot to argue.

Dancing is good exercise. So is catch-as-catch-can wrestling, and in modern form the two have much in common.

Ab. Adkins gets so little mail for his wife to open that he figures he must be something of a disappointment to her.

Would it, with the present narrow gauge styles in vogue, be inappropriate to refer to a fashion mag, as a book of revelations?

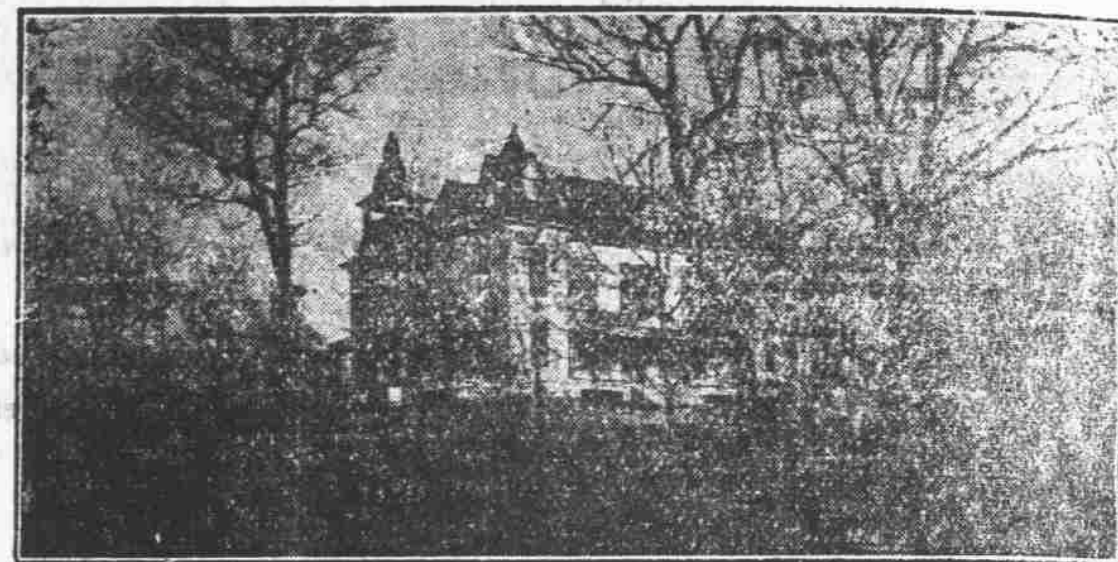
While we cheerfully concede that the tomato is a fruit, canned tomatoes are not canned fruit by any stretch of our elastic imagination.

"I confess I could never be much of a conversationalist, owing to the difficulty I experience in saying anything when I have nothing to say."—Rufe Hoskins.

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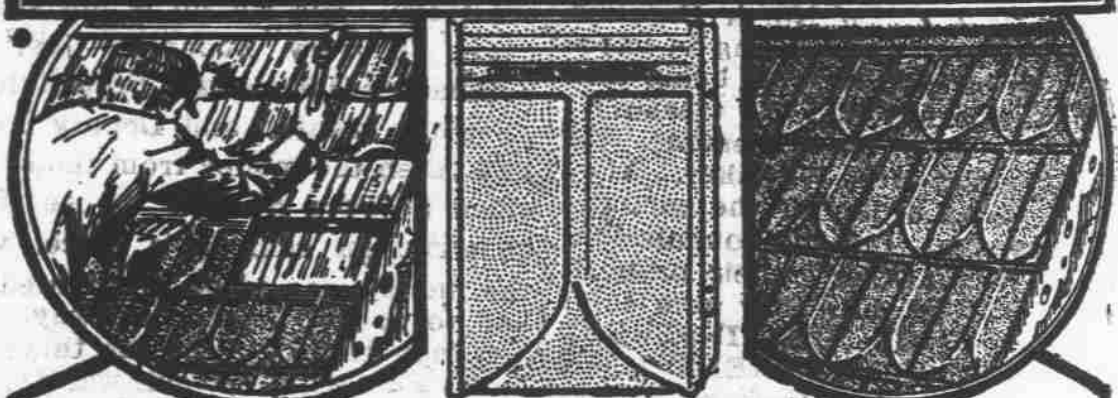


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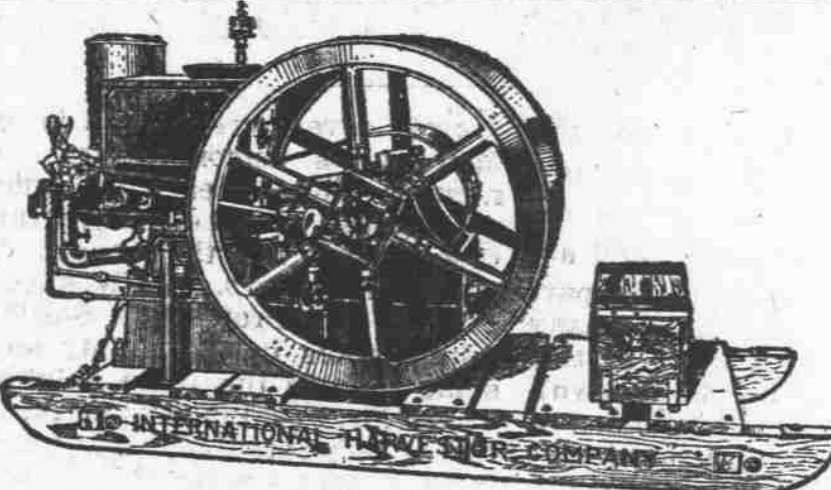
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